(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Corrective measures suggested by the UNESCO World Heritage Committee are implemented for maintaining the integrity and authenticity of the sites at Hampi and the Taj Mahal.

Financial assistance for museums in Karnataka

1767. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of museums being managed by the Karnataka Government;

(b) whether the Karnataka Government has sought financial assistance from the Central Government to upgrade these museums;

(c) if so, the amount sought for; and

(d) the details of the upgradation proposed?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (d) As per the information furnished by the Karnataka Government, it is administering 16 museums and one art gallery. The details of the proposals received during the last four years from the Karnataka Government seeking financial assistance for reorganisation and development of its museums are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Details of the proposals received during the last 4 years from the Karnataka Government requesting for financial assistance for Reorganisation and Development of Museums

Year	Name of the Museum/ Organisation	Amount sought (Rs.)	Amount sanctioned (Rs.)	Purpose
1	2	3	4	5
1999-2000	1. Government Museum, Basavakalyana	20,00,000	6,75,000/-	(i) Organisation of Galleries (ii) Publication (iii) Museum Library
	2. Government Museum, Gadag	20,00,000	5,00,000/-	Organisation of Galleries

1	2	3	4	5
2000-2001	Department of Archaeology & Museums, Mysore	4,00,000 2,20,000/-		(i) Computer Hardware (ii) Documentation
2001-2002	Government Museum, Bangalore	1,90,00,000 15,00,000/-		Renovation and modernisation of Galleries
2002-2003	No proposal has been received from the Karnataka Government during this year.			

Funds allocated for tourism projects in Rajasthan

1768. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether funds are provided to State Governments for tourism related projects including budget accommodation every year;

(b) if so, the year-wise fund released to Rajasthan during the last two years; and

(c) the names of projects for which it was given?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Tourism projects including works on budget accommodation are identified in consultation with State Govemments/UT Administrations and sanctioned on merits subject to availability of funds and *inter-se* priority.

(b) and (c) The details of projects sanctioned in Rajasthan during the last two years are as under:—

SI. No.	Project	Amount sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1	2	3
1.	2001-02	2.50
2.	Handicraft and Food Festival at Mumbai	2.50
	Handicraft and Food Festival at Baroda	